



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennesseans make important decisions every day that directly impact their financial futures. Many have an inadequate knowledge of personal finance and lack the skills to make informed financial choices throughout their lives. During the month of April state securities regulators across the country will reach out to citizens of their state, representing all ages and incomes, in an ongoing mission to improve the level of financial literacy. Therefore, I encourage all Tennesseans to be informed investors and responsible consumers; and

WHEREAS, a commitment to saving and investing wisely is the surest way to save for a home, to provide for a child's college education or to enjoy financial security in retirement. I applaud all those who are dedicated to delivering financial education during this April campaign and throughout the rest of the year. Your efforts contribute to the well-being of countless individuals and help extend the promise of prosperity to all; and

WHEREAS, the Securities Division within the Department of Commerce and Insurance is charged with enforcing securities laws and protecting Tennesseans and endeavors to educate consumers in the areas of investing and personal financial literacy. I call upon government officials, industry leaders, and consumer advocates to join them in their efforts to provide consumers with the knowledge they need to make good decisions about credit, saving, and investing. I encourage all citizens to take advantage of the resources that can help empower them to achieve a healthy financial future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bredesen, Governor of the State of Tennessee do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2005, as

SAVING AND INVESTING EDUCATION MONTH

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this 25th day of April, 2005.

A blue ink signature of Phil Bredesen, written in a cursive style.

Governor

A blue ink signature of Riley C. Donnell, written in a cursive style.

Secretary of State